

# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.117(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other: Additional Claims

b. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$370.00 and \$55.00 enclosed.

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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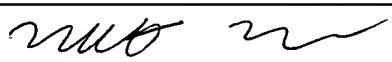
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## FEE CALCULATION SHEET

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Basic Rate						\$370.00
Total Claims	20	-	20	=	x \$18 =	0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	0=	x \$84 =	0.00
Total Fees						
Less 50% for Small Entity						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS RCE						370.00

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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